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In re application of:

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STEEL TUBE FOR USE IN REINFORCEMENT OF AUTOMOBILE AND METHOD OF PRODUCTION THEREOF

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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November 29, 2004

Sir:

This is a "Request for Continued Examination" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, the provisions of which do not apply to:

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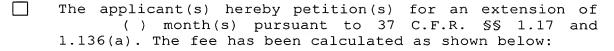
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